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For: METHOD FOR EXPOSING A PERIPHERAL AREA OF WAFER AND APPARATUS
FOR PERFORMING THE SAME**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.56Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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The listed document is being submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(1), submission within three months of the filing date of the application.

The relevance of the attached document is discussed in applicants' specification.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

Respectfully submitted,

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